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12. Soviet and Satellite Missions

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Soviet advisor to the 3d Tk Div, Col Alexander MALJUCIK, who wore a Soviet uniform, and of an unknown Soviet colonel, who also wore a Soviet uniform and who was an advisor to Maj (fnu) KLIMKO at the NOVE MESTO NAD VAHOM (4854N-1750E) Signal Academy.

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Lt Miroslav HORECKY, Assistant CO, 103d Mecz Regt, that some North Korean troops (ranks unknown) arrived in Czechoslovakia to receive instruction on the Model 23 Czech submachine gun.

13. Intelligence and Security

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a.

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each regiment in the Czech Army had an intelligence officer assigned to it.

14. Morale

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due to the poor pass policy and badly prepared food, morale in the 2d Mecz Bn was not good. Only personnel who grasped their political subjects received passes; the remainder had to wait long periods of time before they were considered for passes. Leaves were few and far between. In the 2d Mecz Bn there was a shortage of good cooks. The ones preparing food for the battalion were inexperienced. EM received enough food but its quality was poor.

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There were two actual and three attempted desertions in the 3d Tk Div during the past year. Of the five cases, two escaped to the West, and the remaining three were caught and received sentences of 25 to 30 years forced labor in the JACHYMOV uranium mines.

16. Pay Scale

a. Pay scale for EM drafted into the Czech Army:

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Amount per Month in Crowns</u>
Pvt	300
PFC	330
Cpl	360
Sgt	390
SFC	420
M/Sgt	450

All EM listed above received an additional 90 crowns monthly for cigarettes.

While traveling on duty, all EM had to pay half-fare, but when they arrived at their military assignment this was reimbursed by the army finance officer.

There was a distinction between the pay of a drafted and a regular army NCO. Regular army NCO's usually received about 1,500 to 2,000 crowns per month, depending on their grade.

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[redacted] regular army NCO's serving in the engineers or medical service received assignment pay depending on their assignment. A regular army master sergeant in one of these services received about 4,000 crowns per month, which included basic rank and assignment pay; similarly, a regular army SFC received 3,000 crowns per month.

b. Basic pay scale of officers in the Czech Army:

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Amount per Month in Crowns</u>
Jr Lt	2,000
Lt	2,500
Sr Lt	3,000
Capt	3,500
Staff Capt	4,000
Maj	5,000
Lt Col	6,000
Col	7,000
Brig Gen	10,000
Maj Gen	11,000
Lt Gen	12,000
Gen	14,000
Commander-in-Chief (CEPICKA)	25,000, plus expenses

The above-named officers also received the following assignment pay in addition to the basic rank pay:

<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Amount per Month in Crowns</u>
Platoon commander	2,000
Company commander	2,500
Battalion commander	3,500
Regimental commander	4,500
Division commander	5,000
Corps commander	6,000
Army commander	7,000

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Officers in the Czech Army had to pay certain expenses out of their salary, but it usually did not amount to much.

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